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1. Statement			
Nov	relty (N)	Claims 1-8	YES
		Claims	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1-8	YES	
		Claims	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-8	YES	
		Claims	NO

Citations and explanations:

Novelty (N), Inventive Step (IS), Industrial Applicability (IA) Claims 1-8

None of the citations alone, or in obvious combination, disclosed all of the features of any of the claims.

In particular, none of the citations disclosed the features of swing-arms that pivoted rearwardly to stretch the anterior shoulder, let alone have a user-actuated mechanism to allow this.

The invention as defined is regarded as being industrially applicable.